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Reply under 37 CFR 1.111

Dear Sir:

REMARKS

The present response is filed in response to the Office Action dated May 1, 2002. A petition for a one month extension of time is submitted herewith. September 1, 2002 was a Sunday and September 2, 2002 was a holiday. Accordingly, under 37 CFR 1.7, only a one month extension is due.

Examiner has rejected claims 27-38 under 35 U.S.C. 103 in view of US 5,080,924 (Kamel). Kamel discloses coating a lens substrate with a first biocompatible material using plasma induced grafting. The first biocompatible